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1. POLCOUNS REVIEWED PLANNING-TALKS PLANNING WITH TATSUO ARIMA, DIRECTOR PLANNING DIVISION, WHO SAID FONOFF HAD CONCURRED IN DISPENSING WITH FORMAL PRESENTATIONS BUT THOUGHT AGENDA ITEMS SHOULD BE FLESHED OUT WITH SUFFICIENT SUGGESTIVE QUESTIONS OR SUBTOPICS TO ENCOURAGE FOCUSED DISCUSSION.

2. ARIMA SAID HE WOULD COME UP WITH AGENDA PROPOSALS SHORTLY BUT THAT HIS PRESENT THINKING WAS TO HAVE MOST OF DISCUSSION FALL INTO TWO BASKETS, SECURITY AND NORTH-SOUTH ISSUES, WITH ONE OF TWO EVENING DISCUSSIONS, IN KEEPING WITH TRADITION, DEVOTED TO DOMESTIC POLITICS. NUCLEAR PROLIFERATION MIGHT ALSO BE FITTED IN. (ARIMA NOTED PARENTHETICALLY THAT LDP UPPER HOUSE ELECTION VICTORY WOULD FACILITATE MOFA'S PREPARATIONS FOR TALKS.)

3. ARIMA SAID IT WOULD BE NO TROUBLE TO PREPARE PRESENTATIONS ON SUCH "STANDARD" ITEMS AS POWER BALANCE IN EAST ASIA OR ASEAN, BUT THAT GIVEN ONGOING EXCHANGE OF VIEWS WITH US ON THESE TOPICS HE WAS CONCERNED THAT

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PRESENTATIONS MIGHT TURN OUT TO BE STERILE REHASH. ARIMA NOTED THAT YUTAKA NOMURA, DIRECTOR GENERAL, RESEARCH AND PLANNING DEPARTMENT, NOW IN CANBERRA, FOR JAPAN-AUSTRALIA PLANNING TALKS, MIGHT HAVE ADDITIONAL IDEAS. IN MEANTIME, ARIMA, WHO LEAVES PRESENT JOB AT END OF JULY TO PREPARE FOR WASHINGTON ASSIGNMENT, WHERE HE REPLACES KURIYAMA, INDICATED HE HOPES TO MOVE AHEAD SO AS TO GET AS MUCH OF GROUND

WORK FOR TALKS ACCOMPLISHED PRIOR TO HIS DEPARTURE.
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